

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 949

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Tusculum University senior sprinter Widchard Guervil.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize and commend those successful college athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Widchard Guervil of Tusculum University, an athlete of extraordinary talent, skill, and dedication, who has proven himself a formidable competitor in track and field; and

WHEREAS, a senior sprinter at Tusculum, Mr. Guervil was recently named the South Atlantic Conference Men's Track Athlete of the Week, the second time he has earned this prestigious conference honor; and

WHEREAS, he was also recently recognized as Men's Track Athlete of the Meet at the East Tennessee State Invitational after winning the 60 meters and finishing second in the 200 meters, thus earning his second NCAA Division II provisional qualifying mark of the season in the latter event; and

WHEREAS, Widchard Guervil ran 6.73 seconds in preliminaries to equal the fastest time in Division II competition this season and ultimately won the 200-meter competition with a time of 6.74 seconds; and

WHEREAS, with these efforts, he garnered an NCAA provisional qualifying mark of 21.46 seconds, the second-fastest time of his career and the seventh overall fastest time in Division II competition this season; and

WHEREAS, Widchard Guervil epitomizes all that is good in today's student athlete, as he has achieved a high level of success in sports while evincing great character both on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Guervil's achievements are a source of great pride for his family, his community, and the Tusculum University Pioneers, and it is appropriate that we recognize this accomplished athlete; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Tusculum University senior sprinter Widchard Guervil on being named the South Atlantic Conference Men's Track Athlete of the Week as well as Men's Track Athlete of the Meet at the ETSU Invitational and earning his second NCAA Division II provisional qualifying mark of the season in 200-meter competition, wishing him much continued success as the season continues to unfold.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.